

# Inter Department Correspondence Sheet

TO: Members of Council	
FROM: Richard Allan Bull, City Clerk	
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SUBJECT: Minutes of City Council Meeting	
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Attached are the minutes from the City Council Meeting held on December 7, 2021.

Richard Allan Bull

City Clerk

### NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

### MEETING OF COUNCIL

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021

Mayor Kenneth Cooper Alexander, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mrs. Courtney R. Doyle, Mrs. Mamie B. Johnson, Mrs. Andria P. McClellan, Mr. Paul R. Riddick, Ms. Danica J. Royster, Mr. Tommy R. Smigiel Jr. and Vice Mayor A. Martin Thomas Jr.

# **Announcements**

Dr. Filer updated Council on recreation center hours at the East Ocean View Recreation Center to accommodate the senior population. The schedule has been reconfigured and beginning Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> the hours will be Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. He added that seniors overwhelmingly utilize the facility.

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Dr. Filer stated that Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, Neighborhood Services is holding an Eviction Prevention clinic at the Attucks Theatre from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Registration is already full at 125 participants, so there is a wait list and citizens can call 757-664-RENT (7368). He added a second clinic could be added if there is a lot of interest from citizens. Legal Aid of Virginia and other resource providers will be in attendance.

Councilwoman Johnson stated there is already interest from citizens who have contacted Council members. She asked that staff schedule several more clinics and a combination of another Saturday and weekday evening clinics.

Mayor Alexander echoed Councilwoman Johnson and added that staff look at a larger facility to accommodate more citizens if it can be done safely.

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Dr. Filer stated after conversations with Council members, two versions of Council's 2022 calendar have been provided to Council. Version one includes a Tuesday work session as well as accommodating various holidays. Version two is similar, but the Council meetings are on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. Version two removes the first Tuesday as a standing work session and instead maintains it as a special session option.

Councilman Smigiel asked to consider members who have work commitments and asked to keep meetings starting at 4:00 p.m. and moving the formal session to 7:00 p.m. He also asked to add the retreat dates to the calendar. He asked that future agendas schedule time for more Council discussion.

Councilwoman McClellan echoed Councilman Smigiel's proposal for the meeting time change and to have more time for Council discussion. She also asked to consider having two retreats.

Councilman Riddick echoed Councilman Smigiel and Councilwoman McClellan. He asked to add Council concerns, also.

Councilwoman Johnson echoed Councilwoman McClellan's request to have two retreats.

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Mr. Greg Patrick presented the new ARPA dashboard. Data is provided from the public hearing sessions, surveys, and online input. The updated ARPA web page has easy access to the dashboard, frequently asked questions, funding, and additional information on future public engagement and input sessions. The dashboard also includes a breakdown of priorities by each ward.

Dr. Filer stated that staff will come back to Council after all data has been compiled and analyzed. He added that some funds are already earmarked for things such as violence prevention and mental health assistance — which needs to be explained clearly to our residents. Some funding will come from state and local fiscal recovery funds or the Build Back Better funds, once it has passed.

Mayor Alexander asked that once staff compiles all the data, to provide Council with an executive summary that Council can understand and share with their constituents.

Councilman Smigiel commended the Administration for addressing public input and he noted that no other city in Hampton Roads has done as much outreach to their citizens about how to spend ARPA funds. He added we also need to share with our citizenry what funds we have already received from the federal government and what we spent it on prior to this.

Councilwoman Doyle echoed Councilman Smigiel that we need to educate citizens on what ARPA funds can be used for. We also need citizens to understand that if we spend money on a project that we otherwise would have funded out of CIP funds, that we are saving money on debt service that otherwise could be used back through the budget in another way. The executive summary should also include a very clear timeline on when Council will vote and when we will start spending ARPA funds.

Councilwoman McClellan stated it is important for our citizens to know the process, timelines, and dates because there seems to be a lot of misinformation circulating.

Councilwoman Johnson asked that after the executive summary is presented that Council have time for discussion, so they are clear on the information that they provide to the citizens. No confusion or inconsistencies and be very transparent.

Councilwoman Royster stated that getting all information to the citizenry is vital and they also need to know what projects have been on the city's list for years.

Mr. Patrick added that once public engagement is closed, and all data has been collected and analyzed, the information will be available at every public library in the city for citizens to view.

Councilman Riddick expressed concern that \$40 million has been earmarked for Chrysler Hall renovations when we have more urgent needs to address in communities such as metal health, drug addiction, hunger, homelessness, and education.

Councilman Riddick expressed concern that Mayor Alexander appointed Councilman Smigiel and Councilwoman Doyle to work with the school board when the school district majority is 70% Black students.

Councilman Smigiel noted that the school board voted on the next schools to be funded and that he and Councilwoman Doyle had no say in that. The school board voted on Maury High School, Norview Elementary School, David Gilbert Jacox Elementary School and Granby Elementary School. He added that 70% of the students that attend Maury High School live in Super Ward 7, not Super Ward 6.

Councilman Riddick asked for street resurfacing in Huntersville and especially on O'Keefe Street. He added that he does not feel money is being spent equally in the Wards.

Councilman Smigiel stated that Council members should not criticize each other's wards and that he has supported every new recreation center and new library that has been built in Super Ward 7. He added that all Council members need to work together and to collectively support all parts of the city.

Councilman Riddick suggested the shopping center site at Military Highway and Norview Avenue might be a good location for a sports complex or recreation facility and it is close to the interstate.

### Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update

Presenters: Mr. Darrell Crittendon, Director, Parks & Recreation Mr. Neelay Bhatt, Vice-President, PROS Consulting

Dr. Filer stated that Council asked for a comprehensive plan for recreation, programs, and facilities. We have many facilities that are too small to really be meaningful. PROS consulting has been working with the Department of Parks and Recreation to go through a master plan process.

Mr. Crittendon welcomed Chairman Michael O'Hearn and Vice Chairman Debra Rocke of the Norfolk Recreation Commission. He introduced Mr. Neelay Bhatt, Vice-President of PROS Consulting. He added that PROS Consulting is one of the premier consulting firms in parks and recreation.

Mr. Bhatt stated as they look at a master plan, three steps are considered:

- Where are we today?
- Where do we want to go?
- How will we get there?

They looked at what Norfolk is going to look like in the next five, ten, or fifteen years, and what we should be planning for. Population growth is minimal and significantly aging. Ages 55+ are active adults and about 20 percent of the population projected. Despite that growth, the other major percentage is families and young children. Any aspect of this master plan will focus on a multigenerational experience.

From a race and ethnicity standpoint, Norfolk is diverse and will continue to be so. They will look to customize and tailor for different groups, not look at a one size fits all. Affordability and value of experiences will be important. State and national income averages are much higher than Norfolk's.

### **Local Trends Market Potential Index (MPI)**

- The MPI scores for General Sports are 4 to 40 percent above the national average of 100 showing that the community loves sports.
- The MPI scores for Fitness are mostly above the national average. Walking, biking showed they are important to grow because that is one of the community top priorities.
- The MPI scores for Outdoor Activity. Scores were similar, but they don't have to happen
  in Norfolk. It's what the community wants to do and are participating in wherever they
  choose to go.

### 10-Minute Walk

Nationally, just over 55% of the population has access to a park within a 10-minute walk. In Norfolk, it is 75% of the population. 25% of the population is over 60,000 people that do not have a park within a 10-minute walk. That is one of the visions they look at with the park plan and that's where the connectivity comes in as well with trails, walking, biking, etc.

### **Public Input**

# "We Must Go Where The People Are"

# Our Fundamental Community Input Philosophy

Included were virtual meetings, website input, etc., and qualitative, quantitative, and observational techniques used. Staff and team members toured all parks and shared observations. Through all these, a statistically valid and scientific process was conducted to look at users and non-users from the community. All of this is what gives priorities which ultimately makes its way into the master plan recommendation.

# Stakeholder and Key Leader Meetings

- Held from December 2020 to March 2021
- Met with Council, City leadership and Department Staff
- Focus on Strengths, Opportunities and Top Priorities

# Master Plan Virtual Public Input Meetings were held

# **Survey Monkey Online Survey**

- Administered online and via project website
- Identical to the Statistically-Valid Survey
- The goal was to obtain 500 surveys
- Actual surveys 785 completed surveys!

# Statistically-Valid Survey Methodology ETC Institute

- Only scientific and defensible method to understand community needs
- Administered by mail/phone/web
- Developed in partnership with Department Staff
- The goal was to obtain 400 surveys; exceeded with a total of 449 completed surveys
- 95% level of confidence with a margin of error of approximately 4.6%
- Input from users and non-users of the parks and recreation system

# Mr. Bhatt reviewed Demographics and Percentages in the survey for:

- Respondents' Gender almost even split in gender
- Ages for all in Household all ages
- Age of Respondent typically tends to be older
- Years Respondent Has Lived in the City of Norfolk majority have lived in Norfolk for a long time
- Description of Race/Ethnicity good split of race/ethnicity
- Members of Household who visited parks or facilities offered by the City of Norfolk during the last 2 years (including the time before COVID-19 pandemic)
- Respondent's visits to City of Norfolk parks and/or facilities during the last two years –
  right at national averages, four in five people visit city's parks, fairly frequently citizens
  go once a week or several times a week
- Rate the physical condition of City of Norfolk parks and/or facilities respondent visited during the last two years — one-third rate facilities and parks as fair
- Reasons why respondent may have not visited City of Norfolk parks or facilities, before
  the COVID-19 pandemic, during the last two years one in four citizens do not go due to
  lack of features they want to use and directly impacted by the size of facilities
- Household participation in any recreation programs offered by City of Norfolk Parks and Recreation Department during the last two years – slightly higher than the national average, about 31 percent.
- Quality of City of Norfolk Parks and Recreation Department programs Household participated in 80 percent rate as good or excellent
- Reasons for non-participation in City of Norfolk Parks and Recreation Department programs, before the COVID-19 pandemic, during the last two years barriers cited: lack of safety, not aware of trails, programs, park locations, etc.
- Households' Most Preferred methods of communication for city to use for communication about recreation programs and activities – emails/eblasts from city, city website, social media
- Respondents' level of agreement with statements about potential benefits of the city of Norfolk's parks and recreation services — makes Norfolk a more desirable place to live, improves physical health and fitness, improves mental health, reduces stress, preserves open space, and protects environment, etc.

- Respondents' level of satisfaction with the overall value received from the City of Norfolk Parks and Recreation Department — despite pandemic only about 20 percent were somewhat or very dissatisfied
- Given the recent COVID-19 pandemic, how household's perception of the value of parks, trails, open spaces, and recreation has changed – 60 percent responded that they value them more
- Based on respondent's perception of value, how should the City of Norfolk fund future parks, recreation, trails, and open space needs — two out of three citizens responded want to see an increase in funding
- Actions the city could take to improve the parks and recreation system that respondents
  would be most willing to fund develop walking, biking trails, and parks along
  waterfront; develop new nature trails, nature centers, and nature programs; improve
  existing neighborhood and community parks; develop new indoor recreation centers;
  develop new trails and connect existing trails, etc.
- Top priorities for investment for parks and recreation programs based on the priority investment rating (PIR) — adult fitness and wellness programs; exercise classes; senior health and wellness programs; water fitness programs/lap swimming; community special events; historic park programs, after school programs for youth of all ages, etc.
- Top priorities for investment for parks and recreation facilities and amenities high priority: Adult fitness and wellness programs, exercise classes and senior health and wellness programs. Medium priority: water fitness programs/lap swimming, community special events, historic park programs, senior educational programs, cultural enrichment programs, after school programs for youth of all ages, etc.

Mr. Bhatt presented Sample Equity Maps showing playgrounds and recreation centers of Suffolk, Virginia. This is to show every amenity and where the gaps and overlaps might be.

### **Next Steps**

- 1. Sports Complex Feasibility Study
- 2. Levels of Service and Equity Mapping
- 3. CIP
- 4. Visioning and Action Plan

Councilman Smigiel asked to clarify whether the Sports Complex being considered is an indoor or outdoor facility. Mr. Bhatt stated the original scope was for the outdoor sports complex, but some survey results indicate more support for an indoor site. Based on survey results they may have some other recommendations.

Councilwoman Royster stated that frequency of use is important data to review as we look at how to revitalize our existing recreation centers.

Councilwoman McClellan stated that some areas along the Elizabeth River Trails need maintenance and that should be made a priority. Citizens have expressed they want recreation centers opened, but data shows adults are using them as much as youth if not more, so we need to rethink what a recreation center does and who it serves. Mr. Bhatt stated that nationally the best practice agencies are moving to multi-generational and multi-purpose.

Councilwoman Doyle stressed the importance of not just funding the opening of a center but to make sure that it is funded for long-term use.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion for closed session was approved for purposes which are set out in **Clause 8** subsection A of Section 2.2-3711 of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

(8) Consultation with legal counsel regarding the admissibility of video evidence in a CUP revocation hearing.

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr., Alexander

NO: None.

# NORFOLK, VIRGINIA ACTION OF THE COUNCIL

# **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

# TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021 - 6:00 P.M.

# **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Followed by the Pledge the Allegiance.

# **ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Courtney R. Doyle	Councilmember - Ward 2	Present
Mamie B. Johnson	Councilmember - Ward 3	Present
Andria P. McClellan	Councilmember - Superward 6	Present
Paul R. Riddick	Councilmember - Ward 4	Present
Danica J. Royster	Councilmember - Superward 7	Present
Thomas R. Smigiel Jr.	Councilmember - Ward 5	Present
Martin A. Thomas Jr.	Vice Mayor	Present
Kenneth Cooper Alexander	Mayor	Present
Richard A. Bull	City Clerk	Present
Bernard Pishko	City Attorney	Present
Dr. Larry H. Filer II	City Manager	Present

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve the minutes of the previous City Council meeting.

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr.,

Thomas Jr., Alexander

# **CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION**

A Resolution certifying a Closed Meeting of the Council of the City of Norfolk in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr.,

Thomas Jr., Alexander

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

PH-1 REVOCATION HEARING scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to revoke a Conditional Use Permit Previously Granted to Origami Asian Bistro on July 13, 2021, by Ordinance No. 48,430, Authorizing the Operation of a Nightclub on property located at 5957 East Virginia Beach Boulevard, Suite 18.

City Attorney Katherine Taylor presented oral testimony on behalf of the City.

Attorney, Don Scott, 355 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, presented oral testimony on behalf of the applicant.

An Ordinance Revoking a Conditional Use Permit previously Granted to Origami Asian Bistro on July 13, 2021 by Ordinance No. 48,430, authorizing the Operation of a Nightclub on property located at **5957 E. Virginia Beach Boulevard, Suite 18. - (Ordinance No. 48576)** 

ACTION: Adopted [6 to 1]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Alexander

NAYS: Paul R. Riddick

**ABSTAIN:** Martin A. Thomas Jr.

PH-2 REVOCATION HEARING scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to revoke a Conditional Use Permit Previously Granted to DRLM Enterprises d.b.a. Culture on May 8, 2018 by Ordinance No. 47,217, Authorizing the Operation of a Nightclub on property located at **814 Granby Street**.

Attorney Kevin E. Martingayle, 3704 Pacific Avenue, #300, Virginia Beach, spoke on the requested continuance on this matter.

PH-2A Motion to continue to January 11, 2022.

ACTION: Motion Lost [3 to 5]

AYES: Paul R. Riddick, Danica J. Royster, Kenneth Cooper

Alexander

NAYS: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.

PH-2B Motion to continue to December 14, 2021.

ACTION: Motion Adopted [5 to 3]

AYES: McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Thomas Jr., Alexander

NAYS: Courtney R. Doyle, Mamie B. Johnson, Thomas R. Smigiel Jr.

PH-3 Public Hearing scheduled this day pursuant to State Law, on the application of the CITY PLANNING COMMISSION, for a zoning text amendment to the *Norfolk Zoning Ordinance* to amend the definition of "Marina" include boat rental.

Matthew T. Guglotti, 4801 Pretty Lake Avenue, spoke in favor of this matter.

An Ordinance to Amend Section 4.2.3.F(4) of the *Norfolk Zoning Ordinance* SO AS TO Include Boat Rental in the Use of "Marina," with Accompanying Performance Standards. - (Ordinance No. 48577)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr.,

Thomas Jr., Alexander

PH-4 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, on the application of the CITY PLANNING COMMISSION, for a zoning text amendment to the Norfolk Zoning Ordinance to add new, general condition for all Conditional Use Permit (CUP) approvals to require holder to remain in compliance with 16 criteria that City Council must find are satisfied when initial approval is issued.

An Ordinance to Amend Section 2.4.8.D of the *Norfolk Zoning Ordinance* SO AS TO Add a New General Condition for all Conditional Use Permit Approvals Requiring that the Use Permitted by the Permit Must Remain in Compliance with All Criteria Demonstrated to be Satisfied at the Time of Granting the Permit. - (Ordinance No. 48578)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr.,

Thomas Jr., Alexander

PH-5 Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on an Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance to Metro Fibernet, LLC of a certain parcel of property located at **6242 Sewells Point Road** for total sum of \$71,000.00.

Alton Robinson, 5116 E. Princess Anne Road, spoke regarding the process of conveying parcels to citizens.

Robbie Tebo, 2719 Mark Street, spoke in favor of this matter.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance to Metro Fibernet, LLC of a Certain Parcel of Property Located at **6242 Sewells Point Road** for the Total Sum of \$71,000.00. - **(Ordinance No. 48579)** 

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr.,

Thomas Jr., Alexander

PH-6

Public Hearing scheduled this day, pursuant to State Law, to hear comments on the **Amendment to the Norfolk City Charter** SO AS TO conform to Virginia's General Law to revise: (i) Section 12 concerning council elections and organizational meetings of council; (ii) Section 18 concerning the time of holding Council and Mayoral Elections; and (iii) Section 19 concerning resignations of sitting council members under certain circumstances effective December 31st.

Alton Robinson, 5116 E. Princess Anne Road, commented the city's ward system should be changed.

A Resolution Expressing the Support of The City Council For Amendments To The Norfolk Charter To Revise Sections 12, 18 and 19, So As To Conform With Changes To Virginia's General Laws Moving Norfolk's City Council and Mayoral Elections From May To November And Changing The Terms Of Those Offices From Running From July To June To Running From January To December. - (Resolution No. 1845)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr.,

Thomas Jr., Alexander

# **REGULAR AGENDA**

R-1 An Ordinance Directing the City Manager to Provide a Resolution Requesting The General Assembly To Change *Norfolk's Charter* So As To Conform The Dates And Terms Of Council Elections With Virginia Law. - (Ordinance No. 48580)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

R-2 An Ordinance Amending the FY2022 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 48,379) SO AS TO Accept, Appropriate and Authorize the Expenditure of COVID Homeless Emergency Response Program Community Development Block Grant Funds In An Amount Up To \$1,000,000.00 Received Through The Planning Council For Norfolk Community Services Board To Provide Homeless Shelter Services, If And When Received. - (Ordinance No. 48581)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

Alexander

R-3 An Ordinance Amending the FY2022 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 48,379) SO AS TO Accept, Appropriate and Authorize The Expenditure Of Grant Funds Up To The Sum Of \$120,000.00 From The U.S. Department Of Justice, COPS Office FY21 Law Enforcement Mental Health And Wellness Act Grant (LEMHWA) To Provide Training For Law Enforcement Officers For Critical Incident Stress Management. - (Ordinance No. 48582)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

Alexander

R-4 An Ordinance Amending the FY2022 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 48,379) SO AS TO Accept, Appropriate and Authorize The Expenditure Of Donation Funds Up To The Sum of \$2,000.00 From The Dollar General Literacy Foundation Grant Program To Support The Norfolk Public Library Read 500 Books Before Kindergarten Project. - (Ordinance No. 48583)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

An Ordinance Amending the FY2022 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (No. 48,379) SO AS TO Accept, Appropriate and Authorize the Expenditure Of Federal Substance Abuse Prevention And Treatment Block Grant Funds In An Amount Up To \$260,525.00 Received Through The Virginia Department Of Behavioral Health And Developmental Services, If And When Received. - (Ordinance No. 48584)

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

Alexander

R-6 An Ordinance to Repeal Section 29-77 of the *Norfolk City Code, 1979*, as Amended, Regarding Soliciting in Streets. - (Ordinance No. 48585)

Alton Robinson, 5116 E. Princess Anne Road, commented soliciting in the street.

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

Alexander

R-7 An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Erect Signs Discouraging Motorists from Giving Money to Panhandlers.

Vincent LaSalle, 1342 Reservoir Avenue, commented on the language of this Ordinance.

**ACTION:** Continued Generally [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

R-8 An Ordinance to Amend and Reordain Article VI of Chapter 25 of the *Norfolk City Code, 1979,* SO AS TO add one new Section 25-233 regarding Photo Speed Monitoring Devices in Highway Work Zones and School Crossing Zones in accordance with Virginia Code § 46.2-882.1. - (Ordinance No. 48586)

**ACTION:** 

Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES:

Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

Alexander

R-9 A Resolution Supporting The 2022 Legislative Priorities for The City of Norfolk. - (Resolution No. 1846)

Barrett Hicks 1515 E. Indian River Road commented that the supporting evidence was not online for this Ordinance.

Alton Robinson, 5116 E. Princess Anne Road, commented on the use of the ARPA funds regarding the legislative properties.

Vincent LaSalle, 1342 Reservoir Avenue, spoke in opposition to this matter.

Vincent Hodges, 622 Raleigh Avenue, Apt. 4, spoke regarding the need for more transparency. Asked to have the Environmental issues in Lambert's Point addressed in the legislative priorities.

Monet Johnson, 3505 Argon Avenue, stated the documents to the agenda are not easily accessible to citizens.

**ACTION:** 

Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES:

Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

R-10 A Resolution Appointing and Reappointing 22 Members to 6 Commission, 5 Boards and 3 Authorities for Certain Terms. - (Resolution No. 1847)

The following commented that the Resolution was not on the agenda and the need for more transparency.

Vincent Hodges, 622 Raleigh Avenue, Apt. #4.

Alton Robinson, 5116 E. Princess Anne Road.

Barrett Hicks, 1515 E. Indian River Road.

Vincent Lasalle, 1342 Reservoir Avenue.

Rhoda Young, 1035 W. 25th Street, F-6.

Travis Davidson, 1045 S. Lexan Crescent.

ACTION: Adopted [Unanimous]

AYES: Doyle, Johnson, McClellan, Riddick, Royster, Smigiel Jr., Thomas Jr.,

Alexander

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Bob Johnson, 6136 Lynnhurst Avenue, spoke in support of the Granby Street bike lanes.

Monet Johnson, 3505 Argon Avenue, commented on the additional ARPA funds meetings.

Vincent Hodges, 622 Raleigh Avenue, Apt. #4, commented the Berkley community is asking for \$20 million from the ARPA funds. Requested that the communities have their say in the allocation of the ARPA funds.

Susan Bak, 155 Dover Circle, spoke in opposition to the Granby Street bike lanes.

Akoma Love, spoke on homelessness.

Raymond Krzyaniak, 450 W. Ocean View Avenue, spoke regarding the conditional use permit granted for his short-term rental; he is dissatisfied with the terms of the CUP.

Dustin Wallace, 5006 Brinda Avenue, spoke in favor of the Granby Street bike lanes and supported a concrete barrier to protect bikers from distracted drivers.

Priscilla Brown, 2726 Corprew Avenue, spoke on how ARPA funds should be allocated for mental health issues.

Shelia Harrison, 701 E. Main Street, thanked council for their support of the Turkey Trailer 2021 that provided 3729 families with meals.

Vincent LaSalle, 1342 Reservoir Avenue, commented on the Lambert's Point coal dust.

Travis Davidson, spoke in favor of Granby Street bike lanes and in support of the Multi-modal plan.

James Scurria, 406 Carlisle Way, commented against the Granby Street bike lanes.

Alton Robinson, 5116 E. Princess Anne Road, commented on the violation of his freedom of speech at the last council meeting.

Joe Morgan, 100 E. Ocean View Avenue, Nansemond on the Bay resident, spoke in opposition to Granby Street bike lanes.

Barrett Hicks, 1515 E. Indian River Road, spoke on becoming delinquent on taxes, that he was never notified by the City Treasurer and wondered if this is happening to senior citizens in Norfolk.

Michael Merritt, 272 E, Bayview Boulevard, spoke on the need for better speed enforcement, crosswalks, and reduce speed limits on Tidewater Drive by Marvin Street, near Northside Park.

Sierra Johnson, 9220 Marlow Avenue, commented on the need for the ARPA funds to be used for front line quality medical care and more equipment to employees who work in field.

Rhoda Young, 1035 W. 25th Street, stated she is fighting for the community when she is reporting live.

Michael Muhammad, 1215 Curie Court, stated city is in disarray and asked for a better job be done representing the City.

# **ADJOURNMENT**